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## QUESTIONNAIRE

### I. TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION - INTERIOR

#### A. Train and Bus

1. Are authorizations from the local police required to obtain train tickets? Bus tickets?
2. Where are railway tickets obtained? Bus tickets? Are there different prices for tickets based on the documents presented as authorizations?
3. Are priorities given to specific individuals or classes if trains or busses are crowded? How are these priorities obtained?
4. Are additional procedures and/or certificates required to travel, such as delousing certificates, etc.? Where are they obtained?
5. Where are one's personal documents checked: On entering the railway or bus station? While boarding the train or bus? En route? Leaving the train or bus? On leaving the station? Other?
6. Which are the personal documents requested by authorities? What type of personnel conduct such document checks? What the authorities seem to look for in the documents? What are the questions asked?
7. Are documents stamped, cacheted, or marked in any manner prior to or during the trip? Describe.
8. When are railway tickets checked, punched, and finally collected? Bus tickets? Are personal documents checked at this time?
9. Can railway tickets be bought after the passenger has boarded the train? Can the destination of tickets be changed while aboard the train? May the trip be interrupted and later resumed? If so, to whom should this be reported?
10. When is baggage checked and by whom? Is baggage inspected at any other point besides border customs?

11. Are surprise document checks made at any time during the trip? Body inspections?
12. Do the police and railroad or bus personnel expect or accept tips or bribes?
13. Does the bus driver keep a list of passengers by name, where boarded, where left - or any other information as the serial numbers of personal documents, etc.?
14. Is travel by freight train customary for some types of the local population? What types? Explain the controls and formalities peculiar to this mode of transportation.
15. Are there any unusual customs, habits, or formalities connected with railway and bus travel that have not been mentioned? Please amplify.

#### B. Automobile

1. What types and classes of individuals use travel by automobile as a normal means of transportation?
2. Are special stickers, permits, and/or license plates issued for different professions? For doctors? Engineers? Government officials? Military? Etc. For police cars? Explain.
3. Are travel orders or some authorization required for individuals who drive from city to city? Do these orders cover every individual in the car including the chauffeur?
4. Is gasoline rationed? What is the procedure for obtaining a gas ration? Is gasoline readily available on most highways?
5. Are special stickers, permits, and/or license plates issued if the car is to travel in a restricted area? In a border Zone? Across the border? What is the procedure(s) for obtaining the above?
6. What personal documents must an auto passenger present to the authorities at road blocks or check points? Any special authorizations? Where are the known permanent check points?
7. Is it customary to hitchhike a ride (autostop) by car or truck?

In the interior? In restricted or border areas? Explain the formalities involved.

C. Bicycle, foot

1. Is bicycle registration mandatory? Are any other special permits required in order to travel by bicycle? Is it customary to travel to work by bicycle?
2. What sort of road blocks or document check points are liable to be encountered while travelling by bicycle or on foot? How may these be avoided?
3. What type of military or police personnel are usually encountered while on the road? Are they amenable to bribes?
4. Are there any unusual customs, habits, or formalities connected with travel by bicycle or on foot that have not been mentioned?

D. Water

1. In what areas is transportation by passenger boat a normal means of travel for the local inhabitants?
2. What is the procedure for obtaining passage? Are travel orders necessary?
3. In what areas may passage by freight steamer be obtained? On river barges? What is the procedure for obtaining such passage?
4. What kind of document checks may be expected in each case? How often? By whom? What documents are checked?
5. Are there any local customs or other formalities that should be considered before travelling by boat?

E. Air

1. Does the average citizen travel by air? What priorities, if any, are required to obtain passage?
2. Is there scheduled air travel between cities within the country's borders? Is it reliable?

3. Are plane trips arranged by private contract possible? To what points?
4. What are the requirements for obtaining passage to another satellite state? To a state outside the Soviet orbit?
5. What personal documents are required for internal air travel? For travel over the border?
6. Where are air-travel orders obtained? Where are plane tickets obtained and when is payment made for them?
7. Do passengers have to be scheduled for passage several days before travelling date?
8. Are civilians carried on military transports? What particular authorization is required?
9. At what specific points are document checks made: Upon purchase of ticket? While obtaining travel orders or authorization? At the airport before boarding? En route? On leaving the plane? On leaving the airport?
10. Are there any other factors that should be considered in the process of obtaining air passage?

#### F. Local Transportation

1. What types of public conveyances are in general use for intra-city transportation?
2. Does the typical city inhabitant use taxi cabs? Are cab drivers in any way associated with the secret police, i. e., listing the destinations of their passengers for police records?
3. Are document checks ever conducted aboard trams and busses? At railroad stations for suburban train passengers?
4. Are special weekly passes or workers tickets available to the local inhabitants which entitles them to lower transportation rates? What is required to obtain such a pass and who issues it?
5. Is it customary for a worker to live several kilometers away from the place of employment, in a nearby town or village?



What is the usual maximum distance in terms of kilometers  
or travelling time?

## II. RESTRICTED AREAS

### A. Authorization to Enter or Leave Restricted Areas

1. What types of restricted areas limit the movements of the local population? Locate these areas. Are they identified by numbers?
2. What are the usual reasons accepted by the authorities to enter a restricted area? To leave a restricted area?
3. What are the usual occupational types of local residents who move in and out of restricted areas?
4. Specify the types of special written authorizations, documents, stamps, or cachets required by the local authorities to enter a restricted area? To leave a restricted area? Describe them.
5. At what particular points are documents checked, marked, or cacheted upon entering a restricted area? Upon leaving a restricted area? Are baggage examinations made at the same time?

### B. Movement within Restricted Areas

1. What special stamps, cachets, or certificates are required of the local residents, besides their normal documentation, to enable them to move about in restricted areas? Describe them.
2. What types of business or personal reasons are used when local residents wish to travel within restricted areas?
3. What special authorizations, other than those mentioned above, are required to travel by rail in a restricted area? By bus? Truck?
4. Are there any other special legalities, formalities, and checking procedures connected with travel by train, bus, etc., in restricted areas that travellers should be familiar with?
5. Are road blocks erected at frequent intervals within restricted

areas? Are foot travelers and cyclists checked at these points? For what documents? What type of personnel conduct the check?

### C. Residence in Restricted Areas

1. What types or classes of citizens are allowed to reside in restricted areas?
2. What type of special authorization is required to obtain semi-permanent or permanent residence in a restricted area? What is the procedure?
3. Can authorized travellers find hotel or private rooms for temporary quarters in most restricted areas? Must these be arranged for in advance? What type of permit or authorization is required?
4. Are all requests for authorizations to live in restricted areas checked back through the individual's previous address before the requests are granted?
5. What is the process of deregistration from a residence in a restricted area?

### III. BORDER CONTROLS AND BORDER ZONES

#### A. Special Regulations

1. Is the border zone divided into specific areas, i. e., restricted, evacuated, forbidden, etc.? Is each area subdivided into sectors referred to by certain numbers? By which numbers are these sectors known? Do these zones all require special permits, stamps, cachets, etc.?
2. What type of people and security organizations are permitted in the evacuated border zone? In the forbidden zone? In the restricted border zone area?
3. What security measures are enforced in the evacuated zone? In the forbidden zone? Specify.
4. Do local residents require special authorizations to live and work in the evacuated zones? In the forbidden zones? Describe their documents in each case. Mention any recent innovations.
5. Is the border zone broken up into small adjacent areas, each under the control of small groups of police or soldiers?
6. Do local residents require special authorizations to travel from one of these zones to another in the area along the border? If so, explain.
7. Are surprise document checks and road blocks more frequent in the border zone than in the interior of the country? Are they more rigorous?
8. Is it possible to bribe the border guards? Explain.
9. What documents are required to cross the border legally? Give a physical description of these documents.

#### B. Illegal Crossings

1. Can the border be crossed illegally? If so, what is the usual procedure?

2. Are there specific areas along the border which are less well-guarded and thus more easily crossed? Give specific locations.
3. What are the natural obstacles, i. e., rugged terrain, rivers, etc., that make border crossings difficult?
4. What type of guard post is usual along the border?
5. What man-made obstacles confront the border crosser: Searchlights? Watchtowers? Radar? Radio equipment? Barbed wire? Mine fields? Other? Specify.
6. Are there roving patrols of border guards? Are they equipped with: Cars? Trucks? Horses? Sentry dogs?
7. What sort of patrols are there on the rivers to prevent border crossings? In the harbors? At sea?
8. Are the border guards soldiers from the same country - or are they Soviet military personnel?
9. Are there persons known to engage in body smuggling? Explain.
10. What time of day is best suited for border crossings?
11. What other aspects of border crossing and operations within the restricted areas along the border would you consider of vital importance to all individuals who intend to cross the border?

#### IV. HOUSING

##### A. Requirements for Permanent Housing

1. How does an individual find a place to live?
2. Are there government or private housing agencies that have lists of housing available? What are the requirements to take advantage of this service?
3. Describe the documents required to register permanently at an address in a city? What is the procedure for registration? Specify.
4. Is bribery or the payment of excess fees useful if one desires to obtain housing? How much?
5. Will the type of housing obtained generally depend on the social status of the applicant? In an urban area? In a rural area? Suburbia?

##### B. Requirements for Temporary Housing

1. How does one obtain temporary housing? At a hotel? Hostel? Inn? Private home? Other?
2. What is the length of time an individual may stay in a city without registering permanently or without registering at all? In a town? In a rural area?
3. What is the procedure for obtaining temporary registration? What are the documents and/or certificates involved? Describe for each case above.
4. What is the procedure for extending temporary registration, if one wishes to stay longer?
5. Besides the registration process, are any priorities required before a person may obtain temporary accommodations at an inn, hotel, hostel, or private home? Explain.
6. What sort of document checks are made in hotels, hostels,

or inns? Are the personal documents of guests checked back to their previous place of residence?

7. If local inhabitants are visiting with friends or relatives, is it necessary to register with the police?

### C. Housing Deregistration

1. How do local residents deregister when leaving permanent housing? When leaving temporary housing?
2. What special stamps and cachets are required to prove proper registration? Deregistration? What type of personnel apply these stamps and cachets? What are the questions asked?
3. Does the individual require travel and employment authorizations before he deregisters from a permanent address? From a temporary address?
4. Mention any special customs, formalities, or legal peculiarities connected with the process of obtaining or leaving housing that so far have not been covered.

## V. EATING AND BUYING FOOD

### A. Restaurants and Canteens

1. What are the different categories of restaurants and canteens and what types of individuals or social classes patronize each type? Give addresses and description of known eating places. What social class frequents them? What are the menus and prices?
2. Are ration coupons required at the above restaurants and canteens? If more than one type of ration coupon, explain.
3. Do any categories of restaurants sell meals which do not require the use of ration coupons? Is an extra service charge expected?
4. Are special forms of documentation required in specific restaurants or canteens, i.e., trade union cards, etc.? At what time are they checked?
5. Are document checks ever conducted by the police in restaurants and canteens? What personal documents are usually asked for?
6. What special customs or formalities, such as reservations, standard meals or menus, tipping, etc., should the individual be familiar with?

### B. Buying Food

1. Where does the individual obtain the current ration books for the purchase of food? What personal documents or authorizations must be shown?
2. How do transients obtain rationed goods?
3. Does the individual have to register at one specified shop from which he obtains all his rationed goods? Is this registration based on the individual's residence?
4. Do local inhabitants obtain food through the black market? How much risk is involved? Explain.



5. Are there "free" stores operated by the government selling food and goods at higher prices? Are these stores under police surveillance?
6. Do different occupational or professional types of individuals receive special ration books? Explain.
7. What other special customs, habits, and peculiarities pertaining to the purchase and use of food that have recently developed should the individual be familiar with?

## VI. PERSONAL NEEDS AND EFFECTS

### A. Clothing

1. What is the procedure for purchasing clothing in a state store? A second-hand shop? On the free market?
2. Does the individual require ration coupons and/or priorities to obtain clothing and shoes? If certain occupational types receive more than the usual ration, explain.
3. What basic documents are required to obtain ration coupons? Where are ration coupons obtained?
4. Describe the usual clothing worn by a factory worker. A farmer. A white-collar worker.
5. Are badges or lapel badges designating that the individual has contributed to certain causes customarily worn? Describe.
6. What are the peculiarities and habits of dress recently innovated among the local residents since the new regime has taken control?

### B. Personal Effects

1. Do the local inhabitants wear wrist watches? Among whom is this not customary?
2. Are brief cases carried by the local inhabitants? For what uses? Describe these cases.
3. What are the usual types of talismans or pocket articles carried by the populace?
4. Are personal documents carried in billfolds or wallets? In what pocket are they usually kept?
5. What happens to the personal documents and effects of a deceased individual? Explain the procedure of their handling until they are destroyed or permanently filed away.

### C. Medical and Dental Care

1. What is the procedure for applying for medical care? At a public dispensary? Hospital? From a private doctor?
2. What personal documents are required or checked in each case? Do the medical authorities check the individual's place of work and residence?
3. What are the required vaccinations and immunizations? Are certificates attesting to these vaccinations issued by the authorities? If so, describe. Are the latter required for any specific purpose, such as travel, etc.? Are these certificates required when personal documents are checked?
4. How does the individual obtain prescriptions for medicine? How are these prescriptions filled?
5. What is the procedure for dental care? If procedure varies according to social class, explain.

### D. Miscellaneous Needs

1. How is money generally carried? Which is the highest bank-note which may be used without calling attention to the user?
2. Where are local telephone calls made? Long distance calls? Can calls be made and received from public booths?
3. How does the individual get his clothes washed or cleaned? His shoes repaired? Are nationalized commercial laundries available? What kind of soap is used and is it easily obtainable?
4. Where does the individual obtain soap, shaving equipment, toothpaste, and other toilet articles? Are any of these toilet articles rationed?
5. Where are cigarettes, pipes, pipe tobacco, and matches obtained? If rationed, specify. Name the brands and tobacco in common usage. What percentage roll their own? Describe. Which brands are most commonly used by laborers, farmers, skilled technicians, office workers, executives, party officials, etc.?

6. What individuals are entitled to hunting licenses? Fishing licenses? License to carry firearms? How are they obtained? What are the hunting seasons?
7. What are the prices of the most commonly used articles of clothing and personal items? Give the date these prices were in effect.

## VII. EMPLOYMENT

### A. Procedures

1. How do local residents obtain employment? Unskilled work? Skilled work? White collar employment?
2. What types of government and/or private employment agencies are there? Explain the procedure in applying for employment through them.

### B. Checks and Documents

1. What types of back checks are conducted upon applicants for employment? Are back checks made before applicant is given employment or while he is working?
2. What types of employment are available for an individual with no professional skills?
3. What sort of documents and background are required to obtain employment as a common laborer in a factory? As a skilled worker? As a clerical employee? (Describe those types you are familiar with.)
4. Are document checks made when factory workers enter or leave the plant? At any other times during the day? How careful are these checks?

### C. Sensitive Installations

1. Are most factories in restricted areas?
2. Are local residents checked more thoroughly before they are employed in factories with military contracts than in regular factories? What type of back check is made?
3. What special type of documentation that you are familiar with is required in the above? Describe.
4. What special formalities or peculiarities pertaining to employment in sensitive installations, such as surprise

document checks, special privileges, etc., should the individual be familiar with?

## VIII. POLITICAL AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

### A. Political Organizations, etc.

1. What political organizations are citizens required to join? What labor organizations? Cultural or friendship societies?
2. Describe the procedure for becoming members of these organizations.
3. Are members of these organizations required to carry membership cards? If so, describe these cards.

### B. Social Activities

1. Are theatres and cinemas always open to the general public? Are reservations or the like ever required? Are regular or surprise document checks ever conducted? For what purpose?
2. Are there specific cafes, bars, or pubs which cater to definite occupational or cultural groups? Explain. Describe and give addresses. Are regular or surprise document checks ever conducted in these establishments? Who conduct such checks?
3. Are document checks ever conducted at churches? At sports events? Public or organizational meetings? Recitals or lectures? Stores? What type of military or police personnel conduct such checks? What personal documents are checked?
4. Is the visiting of friends or relatives on Sundays or evenings still a common custom? What aspects of an individual's leisure-time activities have been altered to the point of considerably restricting his freedom of movement?

### C. Street Checks and Curfews

1. How often are personal document checks made in the streets of the cities? Can they ever be predicted? How can they be avoided?

2. What sections of the city are usually checked the most thoroughly? Why?
3. In what localities are curfews imposed? What is the curfew hour?



## IX. MILITARY SERVICE

### A. Conscription Laws

1. Is there compulsory conscription? If so, give the particulars as to conscription age, length of service, etc.
2. Specify the reasons accepted for deferment? For exemptions? Describe the documents certifying deferment or exemption.
3. Describe the usual procedure a conscriptee goes through from the time he is called up to the time of induction.

### B. Military Papers

1. Is the individual soldier or sailor required to carry specific military identity papers? Describe these papers and their uses.
2. Does the soldier or sailor require any civilian identity documents while in the service? Specify. If not, who retains these documents?

### C. Separation and Reserve Status

1. Are military or naval personnel required to become members of the reserves upon separation from the service? Enlisted men? Officers?
2. In what situations are separation or discharge certificates and/or reserve papers asked for and by whom? Must any of these documents be on the person at all times?
3. Give a physical description of these documents and specify their uses.
4. On what grounds and at what age can an individual be transferred to the reserve without any military service? Is he required to report periodically to his military registration office. If so, how often.

5. Where are the military registration offices for reservists located? What is the area of their jurisdiction?
6. What is the military registration procedure for reservists who change residence, permanently or temporarily?

## X. ALIENS - RESIDENCE AND TRAVEL

### A. Residence

1. What is the procedure for a foreigner to obtain a permanent residence permit? A temporary residence permit? Describe.
2. What are the usual police registration formalities for a foreigner when entering the country? Upon leaving?
3. Is an identity document issued to an alien? Describe. Who is the issuing authority?
4. How may residence be extended? For what reasons? Describe any cachets or stamps which validate an extension of residence.
5. In what other ways is an alien restricted or controlled by the authorities?

### B. Travel

1. Is it customary for the travel agencies or transportation companies to handle details of visas, exit permits, etc. for foreigners? May the individual handle these details himself?
2. What are the necessary procedures for a foreigner to obtain a visa? Transit visa? Entry and exit permits?
3. On entering or leaving the country, are currency declarations required? Explain. How is this validated in the passport or other document?
4. What areas are restricted to aliens or foreign nationals? Are these same areas denied to most of the local populace? What special authorization is required to enter or travel through these areas?

## XI. POSTAL REGULATIONS AND CENSORSHIP

### A. Regulations

1. How is domestic mail posted? Must all foreign mail be posted at the post office by the sender? Specify?
2. Must foreign mail be delivered at the post office unsealed? Must the sender identify himself at the post office? By what personal documents?
3. Are snapshots and other such enclosures permitted to be sent to foreign countries?
4. How long does it normally take for a letter to travel through the major postal channels? Domestic letters? Foreign letters? List any major mail routes that you are familiar with.
5. Is incoming foreign mail delivered by the post office directly to the addressee, or must the addressee call in person for his mail?
6. List any recent changes in the rates on domestic postal communications: regular mail, postcards, air mail, registered, insured, special delivery, etc.

### B. Censorship

1. Does postal censorship exist? Is it overt or surreptitious? Examined on a spot-check basis? Are watch-lists used?
2. Which categories of mail receive the closest inspection? Describe the degree of interest shown or the approximate percentage of mail that is censored in each category:
  - (a) Foreign (incoming/outgoing), domestic.
  - (b) Civilian, Military, diplomatic.
  - (c) Personal, business, professional, government.
  - (d) Surface, air, registered, special delivery.
  - (e) Letters, postcards, periodicals, books, parcels.

3. In what cities and towns are postal censorship installations found? What equipment, such as special lamps, technical apparatus, etc., are used? Are letters ever chemically treated in order to develop suspected secret writing?